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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed on October 19, 2006, please consider and enter the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims begin at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 8 of this paper.

An Appendix beginning at page 12 of this paper includes the document "Stochastic Clustered-Dot Dithering" by V. Ostromoukhov et al., Journal of Electronic Imaging, October 1999, Volume 8, Issue 4, pp. 439-445, published by SPIE.